

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. -19. (Cancelled)

20. (Currently Amended) A waterfowl decoy comprising:

a buoyant body having a **first** recess therein;

a reel rotatably mounted within at least a portion of **[[said]] the first** recess in **[[said]] the** buoyant body, the reel having first and second halves and an eccentric weight disposed between the first and second halves of the reel such that the reel is eccentrically weighted so as to resist but not prevent rotation of the reel within the **first** recess in said buoyant body;

a flexible anchor line attached to **[[said]] the** rotatably mounted reel;

an anchor attached to **[[said]] the** anchor line, the anchor being of sufficient weight to cause the reel to rotate and the line to unwind until the anchor hits bottom; and

an integral cranking means **in connection with the reel, the cranking means being** configured to rewind the anchor line and to be pushed into a stowed position within a second D-shaped recess in the buoyant body to resist rotation of the reel to secure the anchor,

wherein the eccentric weight is of sufficient weight to resist rotation of the reel and unwinding of the line after the anchor hits lake bottom.

21. (Currently Amended) The waterfowl decoy of claim 20, wherein **[[said]] the** eccentrically weighted reel is unevenly weighted to provide resistance to rotation of the reel, and **[[said]] the** anchor is of sufficient weight to overcome the resistance and rotate the reel to unwind the line until the anchor hits bottom.
22. (Previously Presented) The waterfowl decoy of claim 20, wherein the anchor causes rotation of the reel by means of gravity, and the eccentric weight resists further rotation after the anchor hits bottom to resist further unwinding of the anchor line.
23. (Currently Amended) The waterfowl of claim 22, wherein **[[said]] the** eccentrically weighted reel functions as a weighted keel to cause the waterfowl to self-right.
24. (Previously Presented) The waterfowl of claim 20, wherein the anchor is of sufficient weight to cause the reel to rotate by means of gravity to unwind the anchor line when the water fowl is being deployed in a body of water, and the eccentric weight is sufficient to resist rotation of the reel and unwinding of the anchor line after the anchor hits bottom, and the cranking means is configured to be stowed in a manner that resists rotation of the reel to secure the anchor when the water fowl has been retrieved from a body of water.
25. (New) The waterfowl of claim 20 wherein the reel is mounted to a shaft received in the first recess in the buoyant body.

26. (New) The waterfowl of claim 20 wherein the reel mounted in the first recess is partially disposed within the first recess in the buoyant body and partially disposed outside the first recess.

27. (New) The waterfowl of claim 20 wherein the anchor line is trained through an opening in the buoyant body.

28. (New) The waterfowl of claim 20 wherein the buoyant body receives a tapered portion of the anchor such that the anchor is partially disposed within the buoyant body.

29. (New) The waterfowl of claim 20 wherein the reel contains one or more holes located in an outer hub of the reel.